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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

Because this application was filed after June 30, 2003, copies of the U.S. Patents listed on the enclosed Form 1449 that have not previously been cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in parent applications, U.S. Serial No. 09/879,669 filed on June 12, 2001; U.S. Serial No. 09/500,107 filed on February 8, 2000; and U.S. Serial No. 08/761,525 filed on December 6, 1996 are not provided.

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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Respectfully submitted,

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	3,717,813	02/20/1973	Lieberman et al.			
	4,661,998	04/28/1987	Yamashita et al.			
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	OTHER	DOCUMENTS	S (Including Author, Title,	Date, Pertinent	Pages, Etc.)	·	
Exhibit A	"Headend	l Combining/Sp	litting Network", Cox Cor	nmunications, (u	ndated), 16 pgs.		
Exhibit B	ADC Tel 1996.	ADC Telecommunications, Inc. Catalog entitled "Video Signal Distribution Products," 48 pages, Copyright 1996.					
Exhibit C	Photogra	phs of modular	splitter/combiner (4 pages)	).			
 Exhibit D	Antec Ne	Antec Network Know-how Product Catalog, front cover page, and pages C50 through C-57, dated 1994.					
Exhibit E	"PathMal	"PathMaker CATV" by Sylvania, pages 1-25, dated July, 1971.					
Exhibit F	General Instrument Maintenance Manual for Jerrold Starline CATV Amplifiers, Models JLE-6-450-2W, JLE-7-450-2W, pages 1-16 produced by PCI Technologies Inc. during litigation with Applicants' assignee, dated November, 1983.						
Exhibit G	Photographs marked PCI 00089 to PCI 00097 of Prior Art General Instrument Amplifier, Model JLE-7-450-2W (9 pages) produced by PCI Technologies Inc. during litigation with Applicants' assignee, undated.						
Exhibit H	Additiona during lit	al Photographs of igation between	of Prior Art General Instru PCI Technologies Inc. an	ment Amplifier, d Applicants' ass	Model JLE-7-450-2 signee, undated.	2W (29 pages	taken
Exhibit I	Sylvania Pathmaker CATV Application Note, Sub-VHF System Application (20 pages) produced by PCI Technologies Inc. during litigation with Applicants' assignee, dated September 1979.						
Exhibit J	Documents PCI 00037 to PCI 00039 produced by PCI Technologies to Applicants' assignee relating to C-Cor Electronics Inc. T-500 Series Truck Stations (3 pages), dated September 1982.				to C-Cor		
Exhibit K	Photographs of QRAM (Quality Racked Amplifier Module), made by QRF, Quality RF Services, Inc. of Jupiter, FL (11 pages), undated.				c. of Jupiter,		
 Exhibit L			of QRAM and other ampli s' assignee, undated.	fiers (4 pages) p	roduced by PCI Tec	chnologies In	c. during

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